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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PORG, UNGA, XF

SUBJECT: UNGA: PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH CENTER ON PALESTINIAN

RIGHTS

REFS: (A) STATE 269396; (B) USUN 4648

1. PROPOSAL TO ESTABLISH A CENTER ON PALESTINIAN RIGHTS APPEARS TO BE MOVING AHEAD WITHOUT MUCH SERIOUS MODERATE ARAB ATTENTION TO POTENTIAL ADVERSE POLITICAL REPERCUSSIONS. USUN HAS QUIETLY, BUT PERSISTENTLY WORKED TO AROUSE SOME RESISTANCE TO PLO AND PALESTINIAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN FALL, WHOSE PAROCHIAL INTERESTS WOULD BE SERVED BY BUREAU-CRATIC EXPANSION OF STAFF. ARAB DELEGATIONS IN NEW YORK, HOWEVER, SEEM INCLINED TO ACCEPT LEADERSHIP OF PLO IN THE ABSENCE OF POLITICAL DIRECTION FROM THEIR CAPITALS. ACCORDINGLY, WE THINK IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO RAISE ISSUE WITH JORDANIANS, EGYPTIANS, KUWAITIS AND SAUDIS TO SEE IF WE CAN GENERATE SOME INTEREST IN POSTPONING THIS INITIATIVE. AT A MINIMUM, A DEMARCHE WOULD ALERT THEM TO OUR INTENTION TO VOTE AGAINST SUCH A PROPOSAL.

2. IN ARGUING MERITS OF PROPOSAL, YOU SHOULD DRAW ON

TALKING POINTS IN REFTEL A. YOU SHOULD MAKE FOLLOWING ADDITIONAL POINTS:

-- IN THE ABSENCE OF INSTRUCTIONS, ARAB DELEGATIONS IN NEW YORK APPEAR TO BE PERMITTING THE PLO TO CALL THE CONFIDENTIAL

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SHOTS ON THIS ISSUE.

-- WE WOULD APPRECIATE HELP FROM OUR ARAB FRIENDS IN PERSUADING THE PLO AND THE PALESTINIAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE THAT THIS IS NOT THE TIME FOR A NEW INITIATIVE OF THIS SORT.

-- THEY SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT, GIVEN OUR PAST TOTALLY CONSISTENT OPPOSITION TO THE PALESTINIAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE, WE WOULD HAVE TO VOTE AGAINST PROPOSAL TO INSTITUTIONALIZE ITS WORK.

3. FOR INFO ADDRESSEES: IF YOU THINK YOUR FOREIGN MINISTRY MIGHT BE WILLING TO INSTRUCT ITS DELEGATION IN NEW YORK TO BE HELPFUL ON THIS ISSUE, YOU MAY WISH TO DISCUSS MATTER AT APPROPRIATE LEVEL AND REQUEST SUPPORT.

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